HuMalNs: Human-Machine Inference Networks

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HuMalNs

Why?
What?
How?
Where?



Motivation

- Problem solving has two steps: identify solution-space, and evaluate solutions
- Bounded-rational humans are cognitively limited and have limited time, information, and resources
 - Not fully aware of all possible choices
 - Sub-optimally evaluate consequences of choices
- Machines are rational
 - Stronger/larger memory for storing alternatives
 - Computational capability to accurately evaluate consequences
- framework

Machines can aid humans in fast and accurate problem-solving — Human-Machine collaborative



Architecture

- HuMaIN = Social Network + Sensor/Machine Network
- Intelligent collaboration to exploit strengths of humans and machines
- Architecture governs interactions between agents in the networks
- Three architecture types:
 - Human controls autonomous system
 - Autonomous system monítor humans
 - Hybrid
- Relevant research problems:
 - Quantify human representation in decision-making tasks under uncertainty
 - Develop an estimator for model parameters
 - Provide common ontology for all agents to share information





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Human-in-the-loop Cyber-Physical System (HILCPS), Control Systems, Human-Computer Interface



Algorithms

- Development of new algorithms dealing with human behavioral data
- Collaborative integration of human expertise with automated processing
- Timely decision making and intervention
- Support but not supplant humans
- Relevant research problems:
 - Develop mathematical models of human decision making
 - Design robust fusion algorithms that handle potentially unreliable data





General approach for the design and analysis of HuMalNs



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> Behavioral Signal Processing, Cognitive Psychology, Mathematical Modeling, Robust Data Fusion



Applications

- Major driver of HuMalNs research
- Timely and important application areas:
 - Education
 - Autonomous Vehicles
 - Healthcare
 - Scientific Discovery

• Specific application nuances drive relevant architectural and algorithmic research



Education: Intelligent Tutoring Systems

 Provide immediate and customized instruction/ feedback to learners with teacher intervention

Complement a human teacher

 Ensure personalized and adaptive learning at scale

ITS	HuMalN
Domaín model	Task
Student model	Human
Tutoring model	Machine/Robust fusion
User interface	Architecture



Autonomous Vehicles

- · Sense and interact with physical world via sensors and actuators
- Fully autonomous makes them vulnerable to cyber-attacks
- new metrics to characterize safety
- Requires design of robust communication protocols.

• Semi-autonomous vehicles: human-in-the-loop for safe and intelligent operation • Require joint environment-driver state sensing, inference, and shared control and

• Communication among multiple self-driving cars can enable collective intelligence



Healthcare

- Fully automated inference holds enormous potential to increase quality, efficacy, and efficiency of treatment and care
- Certain tasks with a small number of data sets or rare events, ML-approaches suffer from insufficient training samples
- Health decisions have serious consequences and necessitate human experts' domain knowledge
- Growing trend of litigation requires doctor-in-the-loop
 Need interpretable models that are transparent and earn experts' trust before
- Need interpretable models that an being adopted in their workflow



Scientific Discovery

- Scientific research spans from screening of novel materials in material science, to tracking of extreme weather phenomena in climate science.
 Currently, machine role is limited to solving a well-defined task where the data and techniques are given by the scientists.
- Límíts ability to tackle problems where data or task complexity itself challenge human capabilities to make discoveries.
- Advancing machine learning techniques for independent inquiry, proactive learning, and deliberative reasoning in the presence of hypotheses, domain knowledge, and insights provided by the scientists.



Session Details

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